

Drug Administration, which has been designed or is intended for use as a container for distilled spirits for sale for beverage purposes, and which has been determined by the Director to protect the revenue adequately.

Malt beverage. A beverage made by the alcoholic fermentation of an infusion or decoction, or combination of both, in potable brewing water, of malted barley with hops, or their parts, or their products, and with or without other malted cereals, and with or without the addition of unmalted or prepared cereals, other carbohydrates, or products prepared therefrom, and with or without the addition of carbon dioxide, and with or without other wholesome products suitable for human food consumption.

Permittee. Any person holding a basic permit under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

Person. Any individual, partnership, joint stock company, business trust, association, corporation, or other form of business enterprise, including a receiver, trustee, or liquidating agent and including an officer or employee of any agency of a State or political subdivision thereof.

Product Compliance Branch Specialist. An ATF official responsible for reviewing initial applications for certificates of label approval, certificates of exemption from label approval, and distinctive liquor bottle approvals, under this part, with authority to issue approvals, qualified approvals, or denials of such applications for certificates.

United States. The several States and Territories and the District of Columbia; the term "State" includes a Territory and the District of Columbia; and the term "Territory" means the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Use of other terms. Any other term defined in the Federal Alcohol Administration Act and used in this part shall have the same meaning assigned to it by the Act.

Wine. Wine as defined in section 610 and section 617 of the Revenue Act of 1918 (26 U.S.C. 3036, 3044, 3045) and other alcoholic beverages not so defined, but made in the manner of wine, including sparkling and carbonated wine, wine made from condensed grape must, wine made from other agricultural products

than the juice of sound, ripe grapes, imitation wine, compounds sold as wine, vermouth, cider, perry, and sake; in each instance only if containing not less than 7 percent, and not more than 24 percent of alcohol by volume, and if for nonindustrial use.

Subpart C—Applications

§ 13.21 Application for certificate.

(a) *Form of application.* An applicant for a certificate of label approval, certificate of exemption from label approval, or distinctive liquor bottle approval, must send or deliver signed duplicate copies of ATF Form 5100.31, "Application For And Certification/Exemption Of Label/Bottle Approval" to the Product Compliance Branch, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Washington, DC 20226. If the application complies with applicable laws and regulations, a certificate of label approval, certificate of exemption from label approval, or distinctive liquor bottle approval will be issued. If the approval is qualified in any manner, such qualifications will be set forth in the appropriate space on the form.

(b) *Time period for action on application.* Within 90 days of receipt of an application, the Product Compliance Branch must notify the applicant whether the application has been approved or denied. The Product Compliance Branch may extend this period of time once by an additional 90 days if it finds that unusual circumstances require additional time to consider the issues presented by an application. If the Product Compliance Branch extends the period, it must notify the applicant by letter, along with a brief explanation of the issues presented by the label. If the applicant receives no decision from the Product Compliance Branch within the time periods set forth in this paragraph, the applicant may file an appeal as provided in § 13.25 of this part.

§ 13.22 Withdrawal of applications.

A person who has filed an application for a certificate of label approval, certificate of exemption from label approval, or distinctive liquor bottle approval, may withdraw such application